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Re: Enclosed Amendment
U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/059,421
Our Ref: YOR.275

Dear Examiner Ly:

Please find enclosed an Amendment in response to the Office Action dated August 4, 2004 which should place this case in condition for allowance.

Thank you in advance for your consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,



Phillip E. Miller

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Enclosure

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR IDENTIFYING GENES

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 4, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows: